

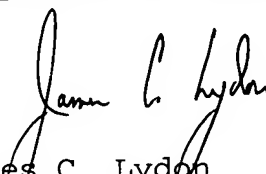
REMARKS

This Preliminary Amendment cancels claims 1-11, adds new claims 12-22, amends the specification, and presents a new abstract in accordance with MPEP § 608.01(b). The new claims correspond to the original claims but do not contain multiple dependencies. The amendment to the specification inserts the reference to the U.S. provisional application required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.78. Claims 12-22 are pending.

An Information Disclosure Statement is attached.

It is not believed any fee is required for entry and consideration of this Preliminary Amendment. Nevertheless, the Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 50-1258 in the amount of any such required fee.

Respectfully submitted,


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